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Easter Giving.

To-morrow will be Easter Day, the annual festival which is observed throughout the Christian world in commemoration of the resurrection of Christ. Wherever Christians are gathered together this sacred occasion will be celebrated as a day of rejoicing, in the places of public worship, in the homes, in the humane institutions, everywhere. In connection with the celebration of Easter in memory of the central fact of the Christian religion, the occasion has of late years broadened in its meaning and has become a time of giving for benevolent purposes. Easter offerings are coupled with the anthems, and prayers, all cheering the hearts of men and women, who believe in all that the day signifies. The true significance of the day has developed during the centuries; it is not now a day of solemn ceremony but a day of joy and hope.

In connection with the thought that Easter, the day of the resurrection, has become a day of giving, the Intelligencer this morning elsewhere announces an Easter gift, received from a good citizen, by one of Wheeling's humane institutions, which will prove of great benefit to it, and serve as a beautiful example to others who have the means to give, and who appreciate the spirit of the festival.

This splendid gift came to the board of directors of the Wheeling Hospital in the shape of a very large sum of money which will be used as a basis for the creation of an endowment fund. The name of the liberal donor he prefers shall not be published, and the Intelligencer is not able to give the amount, but knows it is a generous gift. The giver, true to one of the great principles of charity, prefers rather the satisfaction of knowing the good his act will accomplish. This is the first large gift the hospital has received, and it may inspire other Easter givers to do likewise.

Filipinos and Their Leader.

Elsewhere will be found an interesting letter from Lieutenant Braunnreuther, of the navy, so well known to Wheeling people, addressed to Mr. Augustus Pollack. The letter is interesting, because it comes from Manila, where the lieutenant is now acting as Captain of the Port, a very responsible position, and was written on February 13, a little more than a month since. Accompanying the letter are some interesting statistics of the shipping data for the month of January, indicating the important commercial interests of that city even before the treaty of peace was ratified and while the troubles with the insurgents were in progress—in the words while a state of war still existed.

A significant feature of this letter is found in what Lieutenant Braunnreuther says regarding the native Filipino character and how easily the natives can be managed when they are released from the influence of Aguinaldo. What he says confirms what others have written and the statement so often made that the people of the Philippines never would have been in rebellion but for the evil influence of this conscienceless leader who is now being pursued to his inevitable fate. This is the view of the Intelligencer has taken all along—the contention that the Filipinos themselves are not to blame for the situation, but their leaders. "The native himself," says the writer of the letter, "left to his own intentions, will never prove troublesome. They are not hard to handle at all."

A great deal has occurred in Luzon since the letter was mailed which confirms the statements contained therein to the effect that, while Aguinaldo had re-organized his forces and equipped them with Mauser rifles, they would not be found any more formidable. This has been shown in recent fighting. Lieutenant Braunnreuther illustrates, with one or two incidents, how the wounds from the insurgent Mauser rifles are not so dangerous as those from the Smithfields and Remingtons on the American side, which accounts for the fact that so few of our wounded die.

Miss Barton's Appeal.

The Intelligencer is in receipt of a circular issued by Miss Clara Barton, the president of the American National Red Cross, announcing the return of the Red Cross to Cuba to assist in completing the work begun during the war. It is published in compliance with the wishes of the President and the war department. In connection with the revival of the work the Red Cross staff will be strengthened in the hospitals in the Philippines. The circular is addressed to the American people, and also requests the co-operation of all the

auxiliary societies that did such splendid work during the war in Cuba and Puerto Rico.

The proposition is to establish a hospital service in Cuba mainly for citizens of this country who are there, though others needing aid will not be barred. The most important part of the work will be in the Philippines until the troubles we are having there are over and where the greatest need is.

Due to the fact that many lives were saved and an enormous amount of suffering was relieved in the campaigns during the war with Spain, the national organization having for its principal sources of supplies the auxiliary societies organized in hundreds of communities throughout the country. Wheeling joined in this work, and contributed to the volume of aid that went from the homes of the people to the Red Cross headquarters at the seat of war.

There is something yet to be done among the destitute in Cuba, particularly among women and children, and attention is directed to this fact by Miss Barton. Doubtless her appeal will be effective among the organizations that responded to the call during the war.

Tammany in Danger.

And now Tammany is to be investigated. The New York legislature has decided to send a committee to the metropolis to inquire into how the Tammany administration of the police force and other affairs of government are being run. It is to be the Lexow business over again, and it is no more than natural, since the last investigation of a Tammany administration in New York resulted in a cleaning out of the wicked things and the institution of reforms, that there is a reasonable suspicion that Tammany, having returned to power, is up to its old tricks.

It is strongly evident that Tammany hasn't reformed during its retirement; its inducements are much greater now than they were before. By the "expansion" of the city into a greater New York, the field for Tammany's operations has been widened considerably and there is a very large addition to the sources from which the organization can draw its revenues.

The purpose of the state assembly, which is composed largely of representatives of the state at large, is to find out whether Tammany has improved much, or is as bad as ever. As a certain Mr. Roosevelt is in the executive chair, which insures the bill appointing the committee will become a law, we may hope for some interesting developments.

Our good friend, the Mountville Herald, is kindly informed that it is at perfect liberty to think what it desires about the loyalty of the Intelligencer to the Republican party. Having been present at the birth of that organization, and consistently fought for its principles and its candidates from the time of its birth down to the present date, it will not permit itself to be disturbed by the Herald's objections to its comments on the Pennsylvania senatorial situation, and the many scandals connected with it. If it will be any relief, however, to the mind of the Herald, which doesn't seem to be able to discriminate between a fair and just criticism and party disloyalty, the Intelligencer will state that it doesn't believe in holding party caucuses where they are honorably conducted; in the Pennsylvania case there are unusual features developing which make it exceptional.

Occasionally Col. Henry Watterson takes pleasure in calling the attention of his Democratic brethren of the silver side to the failure of the prophecies made in the days of '76. He notes, with manifest pleasure, that the wages of a half million workmen have been advanced and that now comes another testimonial to the growing wealth of the American farmer. Reference is made to the estimate by the statistical bureau of the agricultural department that the increase in the value of farm animals since January 1, 1898, is \$108,355,482, making the present value within three millions of being two billions, or \$1,997,000,000. Colonel Watterson remarks that "the calamity which finds his occupation gone, indeed."

A Washington special this morning gives some information which will be of value to West Virginians who propose to apply for positions when the time comes for the organization of the force for the census work. Aside from the enumerators in the state, it appears that West Virginia's quota of appointees in the bureau at Washington will amount to thirty-five. The manner of the distribution of the appointments is equitable, and those who are contemplating making application will find the desired information in the dispatch referred to.

It will be a thoughtful and cautious person who escapes the April fool joke to-day. The latter will be very numerous, and he is no respecter of persons.

Let us hope that Easter morning will dawn with a clear sky and good weather. Sunshine is in accordance with the spirit of Easter.

STATE PRESS GLEANINGS.

Lewis county now has but one Democratic paper.

Clarksburg will have two manufacturing ice plants.

Jerome Howard and Walter Freeman, young fellows in Cabell county, painted and criticized their conduct in church. The horse died and the young men were arrested—Glenview Pathfinder.

The story going the rounds of the press about a suit against the state of West Virginia on the Virginia debt question, need disturb no one's equanimity.

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It is a matter of perfect indifference whether suit is brought or not, and the probabilities are very great that not a single living West Virginian will ever see the suit.—Charleston Mail-Tribune.

A peculiar disease has broken out among the horses at Grantville, and the disease has been transmitted to the trainers.—Weston World.

For several months the authorities of Monongalia county have been trying to arrest Arza Tennant, who owed the county over a hundred dollars in fines, which he would not pay. After he came to the jailer at Morgantown and asked to see his brother, who is charged with murder. He was granted the privilege and walked into the cell, whereupon the jailer locked the cell and held him until he paid his fines, which was done amid a torrent of profanity.

Farmers who have walnut trees on their lands may have a big fortune if they will hold on to them. One tree sold only a few days ago one man sold fifty walnuts for which he received \$10,000 in cash. This was in Michigan, but there are just as good walnut trees in West Virginia.—Morgantown New Democrat.

A large number of horses and cattle are dying in Gilmer county from black leg.

The town of Spencer, Boone county, had a great fight last week in an election over the matter of bonding the town to provide a water works system. The fight was a close one, but the town was won by a vote of 100 to 90. The town will soon be putting on city airs with water works, a fire company and other things.

We are to have a kiln of brick burned here the coming summer. They will be the best natural gas brick ever manufactured in West Virginia.—Calhoun Chronicle.

The bright electric lights have been a source of much confusion to the folks of wild geese which have been passing north the past two weeks. Friday night a large flock of geese struck the town and the attraction of the lights bewildered them so that they came so near the ground as to be in easy gun shot. E. C. Chalkley killed one and wounded another with his rifle. In the early morning there were still many of them circling the town, they having entirely lost their way.—Preston County Journal.

Roy Welton reports an ear of corn with 1,240 grains.—Grant County Press.

Winter is over 'gosh, and our spring plowing must begin. We are rampant for work in the fertile corn fields. We want to turn back the very soil and have the black birds track after us and pick up the mulligrubs. Yes, we want to do lots, but we won't impair our health.—Braxton Central.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR

A woman hates to spread scandal the way a cat doesn't hate to drink milk.

If men would admit who did the proposing most of the time, the novels would be different.

Maybe so many husbands are brutes because if they weren't their wives would be something worse.

It takes will power for a man to buy his wife a birthday present at a stock exchange and look the shop girl square in the eye.

When you hear a woman always tearing other women's husbands to pieces you can be sure there is something mighty wrong with her own.—New York Press.

PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

Destroyers—Jones—You needn't be afraid to place that book in the hands of your children. Smiths—That I guess you like to have a wife who was such a dowdy that she was never known to get a seat in a crowded car?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"That's a curious car-load," said Manchester to Birmingham, as the two stood on the platform and looked down the aisle. "What's curious about it, except that all the passengers are women?" "Well, where will you find more curiosity than in a car-load of women?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Enthusiastic Young Miss—To think of your being a real literary man! I do so long to know how you write things. Can you explain it? Venerable Hack—It is the simplest thing. You have a mind suitably prepared. You set an idea. The idea being introduced into the mind causes fermentation, during which a scum rises to the top and is carefully removed, leaving a residue of clear thought. This you bottle up for your own use. The scum you sell to a publisher.—Life.

The Ways of Men.
Some people do not like this world. They sigh, they are unhappy, here. To have been miserably planned. The weather never suits them, they are never happy with a sorrow. And sigh for things of yesterday. Or dream things of to-morrow.

Some people find this world of ours a place of pure, serene delight. To them the world is a beautiful dream. And upon them all days are bright. They wonder at the gifts that God To men in ever gives.

They seem to live to spread abroad The joyousness of living.

Nay, they are not the rich who smile, Nor are they always poor who sigh. The master who in state goes by: There's always cheer in plenty here For those who care to take it.

And the world is glad or bright or sad As each one tries to make it.

IT'S the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

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POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Hope is the dream a man has when awake.
What is sauce for one may make a goose of another.

Theatrical angels rush in where wise men fear to tread.

When a man reaches the end of his collateral he is pawn-broke.

The average burlesque actress is simply what the name would indicate.

The antiquarian stores his mind with all kinds of forgotten things.

Only those on the lower part of the wheel are in favor of revolutions.

It's better to be slow to anger than it is to be handy with a seven-shooter.

The man who boasts of his superior brains is seldom able to furnish the proof.

It always makes a Kentuckian mad to call him a sponge. A sponge will take water.

It's a signal triumph for the weather man when his prediction happens to come true.

Always look at your joys with a microscope, and at your sorrows with the wrong end of an opera glass.

An enterprising St. Louis man expects to make a fortune in Cuba raising umbrellas during the rainy season.

The man who succeeds in perfecting a smokeless cigarette will benefit more than all the cigarette smokers in creation.—Chicago Daily News.

The Railroad's Wonder Story.
New York World: The Inter-state commerce commission has gratifying reports of earnings, expenses, etc., for the year ended June 30, 1898, from 720 lines, operating 181,333 miles of railroad.

The gross earnings were \$1,238,523,350. An increase of \$165,161,553 over the previous year.

The net income, after deducting operating expenses, was \$466,790,110. Of this sum \$258,189,202 went to interest on bonds, taxes, etc., and \$208,600,908 was distributed in dividends, leaving a surplus of \$12,604,909 in the treasury of the year.

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FACTS ABOUT ANIMALS.

A Bird That Lived Fifty-Two Years

Without Tasting Water—Snakes Never Closed Their Eyes—Effects of Blindfolding a Chameleon.

The oldest living creature in the world belongs to Walter Rothschild. It is a giant tortoise, weighing over a quarter of a ton, and it has a known life of 150 years.

One of the longest-lived birds on record died recently in London. It was a parrot named Ducky, the property of the prince of Wales, and was a century and a quarter old. Up to eighty years of age elephants are useful members of society.

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